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Bachman Named Substance Abuse & Mental Health Director

Randy Bachman will direct the newly combined Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health at Human Services, DHS Executive Director Robin Arnold-Williams announced Wednesday.

The two divisions were combined Sept. 1 following action during a July legislative session.

Bachman's appointment is effective immediately. He has been Mental Health Director since June of 2001. Former Substance Abuse Director Patrick Fleming announced he accepted a position as Salt Lake County Substance Abuse Services Director.

"The new division will continue to serve the needs of people with mental illness and those who have problems with substance abuse," Arnold-Williams said. "I'm looking forward to our partnership with Salt Lake County as Pat runs their substance abuse program. Pat and Randy provided excellent leadership and direction in their former divisions."

Prior to working at Human Services, Bachman ran the Northeastern Counseling Center in Vernal, Utah and had directed a private, non-profit human services organization in Rochester, Minn.

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